# MINUTES OF THE HIGHWAY COMMISSION MEETING September 6, 2017

The Williamson County Highway Commission met on Wednesday, September 6, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. at the Williamson County Highway Department facility at 302 Beasley Drive in Franklin, TN. Commission members present: County Mayor and Highway Commission Chairman, Rogers Anderson; Commissioners Stan Tyson, Wayne Davis, and Charlie Bennett. Commissioner Wilson was unable to attend.

Also present were: Eddie Hood, Highway Superintendent; Greg Boll, Elaine Vasquez, Randy Hickman, Highway Department; Joe Horne, Community Development Director; William Andrews, Floyd Heflin, Engineering; Leslie Mitchell, Purchasing Agent; Nena Graham, Budget Director; Robert Cook, County Attorney, Buerger, Moseley, & Carson, and other interested individuals.

Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at approximately 8:30 a.m. and asked for the approval of the minutes of the August 2, 2017 Highway Commission meeting. Commissioner Tyson moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Bennett. The motion passed, 4-0.

**Special Announcements**: Superintendent Hood announced that an employee of the Highway Department fell ill of an apparent heart attack this morning. Another employee performed CPR until the paramedics arrived and transported him to the hospital. Superintendent Hood asked that everyone keep him in their prayers.

**Citizen Communications**: There were no Citizen Communications.

Elections and Appointments: There were no Elections and Appointments.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Commissioner Tyson, with questions on the annexation of Ridgeway Drive by the City of Franklin for connectivity of Colletta Park Subdivision to Highway 96 East.

Commissioner Tyson stated that the request for the annexation of Ridgeway Drive was withdrawn by the City of Franklin. He asked what recourse the County has in order to avoid annexation of a County road by the City for the purpose of connectivity of developments in the City of Franklin to main thoroughfares. He asked about an abandonment process of the stubs in Franklin East Subdivision and Cross Creek Subdivision specifically.

County Attorney Cook stated that before abandoning the stubs, all sides of the issue would have to be taken into consideration. He stated that the Highway Board made it known that they are not open to annexation, and added that the City of Franklin can't annex without the permission of the property owners.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Request from Scott Alexander, on behalf of the Nolensville Running Club, to utilize Kidd Road, McFarlin Road, Fly Road, Rocky Springs Road, Rocky Fork Road, and York Road which are more specifically described in the attached map, to conduct the second annual Rollin Nolen 10 Mile Run, a charitable fundraising event to be held on October 28, 2017 beginning at 7:00 a.m. and concluding at 10:00 a.m. (HC Wilson; CC District 5 Green/Little).

Superintendent Hood recommended approval.

County Attorney Cook stated that all paperwork is in order.

Commissioner Tyson moved for approval of the Rollin Nolen 10 Mile Run. It was seconded by Commissioner Bennett and passed, 4-0.

2. Request by Rachel Simmons and Brian Nock of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Tennessee Chapter, for use of Williamson County roads described on the maps of the charity bicycle routes for the Cycle of Life event to be held on September 16, 2017 to benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Superintendent Hood recommended approval.

County Attorney Cook stated that all paperwork is in order.

Commissioner Bennett moved for approval of the Cycle of Life Charitable event. It was seconded by Commissioner Davis and passed, 4-0

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3. Resolution 9-17-25 RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING AND AMENDING THE 2017-78 HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BUDGET BY \$8,000 AND RELATED OPERATING TRANSFERS FOR PAVING EXPENSES – REVENUES TO COME FROM HIGHWAY PRIVILEGE TAX FUNDS.

Superintendent Hood stated that these funds will go toward paving expenses and also toward maintaining the 5 Year Average.

Commissioner Bennett moved for approval of Resolution 9-17-25. It was seconded by Commissioner Tyson and passed, 4-0.

### **Highway Commission District Reports:**

Commissioner Davis: He was not aware of any road issues to report.

Commissioner Wilson: Commissioner Wilson was unable to attend.

Commissioner Tyson: He was not aware of any road issues to report

**Commissioner Bennett:** Commissioner Bennett reported that he is receiving reports of dump trucks hauling dirt to a farm on Ash Hill Road that are damaging the road and asked if there is anything the County can do to stop this from happening.

Superintendent Hood stated that the Highway Department has cleaned the road and patched it on several occasions.

County Attorney Cook stated that reasonable use of a road cannot be prohibited, however; the hauling company can be held liable for damages to the road. He stated that he will write a letter informing them of their liability.

**Highway Superintendent Report:** Superintendent Hood acknowledged the August Activity Report and reported on membership to the 811 Call Before You Dig Board. He stated that the County will be required to sign a two year contract with a six month notification of cancellation. He added that membership fees are based on the number of requests to locate utility lines in the County rights-of-way that are received. Each request generates a work order ticket. Each ticket costs the County one dollar and will be billed to the County on a yearly basis. The estimated yearly cost to the County is \$30,000.

Mr. Horne stated that there will be a meeting of the Comprehensive Traffic Strategy Group at 5:00 this afternoon. He added that a public hearing will be held on October 3<sup>rd</sup> at Grassland Middle School regarding the realignment of the intersection of Hillsboro Road and Old Hillsboro Road

**Highway Chairman Report**: Chairman Anderson stated that Williamson County EMA and Sheriff's deputies went to the Houston, Texas area to assist with swift water rescue operations during the hurricane and flooding.

Legal Issues: County Attorney Cook had no legal issues to present.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:53 a.m.

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Rogers C. Anderson Chairman and County Mayor